Docket No. 514572000500

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as Express Mail, Airbill No. EL 961005403 US, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

Dated: June 3, 2005

Signature: (Diane Blevins)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Dong LIANG et al.

Serial No.:

Not Yet Assigned

Filing Date:

Concurrently Herewith

International Application No.: PCT/CN2002/000941

International Filing Date: December 31, 2002

For: MICROMINIATURE GAS

CHROMATOGRAPH COLUMN

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced case, please amend the specification as follows: